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Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety Research and Special Programs Administration Attention: Exemptions, DHM-31 400 7th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20590-0001

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Clarification of DOT Exemption for the Shipment of Reactor Pressure Vessel

On November 5, 2003, the Department of Transportation (DOT) granted Exemption DOT-E-12468, Second Revision, to the Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company (CYAPCO) on the basis of our exemption application dated March 30, 2000 together with subsequent exemption modification applications dated June 12, 2002, August 29, 2003, and October 15, 2003.

Subsequent to the DOT's issuance of the above exemption, CYAPCO was informed that the transport trailer depicted in Figure 4 of Enclosure 2 of the June 12, 2002 and August 29, 2003 applications may not be available during the timeframe scheduled for motor vehicle transport of the CYAPCO Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV). Accordingly, an alternate transport trailer of equivalent capability but somewhat different configuration may be utilized.

Since the transport trailer configuration shown in Figure 4 of the TSDR addenda was included in the applications primarily for conceptual and illustrative purposes, CYAPCO maintains that the DOT Exemption, in essence, envelopes a trailer "concept"; and therefore, applies to any duly-authorized trailer. The trailer selected for the RPV shipment (together with cargo) will be authorized (via permit) for travel over the designated route by the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SC DOT).

For clarification purposes, CYAPCO requests that the DOT confirm its concurrence with the above interpretation as to the flexibility of trailer usage for the CYAPCO RPV shipment.

^{*}Addendum and Revised Addendum, respectively, to the Transport System Description Report (TSDR).

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Should you have any questions concerning this Exemption clarification request, please contact Mr. Gerry van Noordennen, Manager of Regulatory Affairs, at 860-2676-3938.

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